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For: Biologically absorbable coatings for
implantable devices based on
copolymers having ester bonds and
methods for fabricating the same

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REQUEST FOR STATUS OF APPLICATION

Dear Examiner Azpuro:

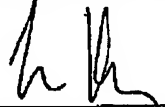
Applicants request a status of the above-identified patent application. Applicants have not received a substantive communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office since the application was filed on March 16, 2004.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number shown below.

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